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No. 3933

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1894.

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On Fixed Deposits for 12 months......5 per cent.
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" " " 3 " ......3 "

A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1894. [563

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

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SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID-UP ....£ 562,500

BANKERS:
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JOHN THURBURN,
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Hongkong, 18th June, 1894. [20

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

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CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [210

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
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HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—

D. Gillies, Esq.	Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
H. Stolterfoht, Esq.	Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.	

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893. [7

Insurances.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

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Hongkong, 29th June, 1894. [743

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } EQUAL TO ....} $833,333.33
RESERVE FUND .... $318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1885. [6

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

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The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1894. [180

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VICTORIA PRECEPTORY.

A REGULAR MEETING of the VICTORIA PRECEPTORY will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Knights are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1894. [1281

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above SOCIETY will be held at the CITY HALL on THURSDAY, the 20th day of December, 1894, at NOON.

All those who take any interest in the work of the Society, whether Members or not, are cordially invited to attend.

F. H. MASTER,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1894. [1270

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 27th day of December, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1894.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 29th instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1894. [1305

WRECK OF S. S. "BELLONA."

NOTICE is hereby given that arrangements have been made for the conduct of SALVAGE OPERATIONS at the wreck of S. S. "BELLONA" lying on NORTH REEF, PARACELS.

All unauthorized persons are hereby warned against approaching the wreck or in any way attempting to carry out any Salvage Operations or remove anything therefrom or interfere with or obstruct those persons who have been authorized to conduct the Salvage Operations.

SIEMSSEN & Co.,
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FOR OWNERS S. S. "BELLONA."

Hongkong, 12th December, 1894. [1296

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THE NEW JAPANESE TABLE WATER.

Recommended by leading Medical Men in Hongkong and China.

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Sole Agents for Hongkong and South China.

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Hongkong, 10th November, 1894. [28

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Beware of spurious imitations.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1894. [446

TO SHIPMASTERS.

CAPTAIN F. H. PLUMMER,
(LATE OF THE PATAGONIAN NAVY.)

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Manila, 5th October, 1895. [1053

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The only Company in Hongkong exclusively Supplying FILTERED WATER.

Despatch Guaranteed. Call Flag "W."

J. W. KEW & Co.,
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Hongkong, 17th November, 1894 [605

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superioress will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1893. [491

Intimations.

CENTRAL HOTEL.

SHANGHAI.

Electric Lighting throughout the Premises.

Telegraphic Address:— "CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the centre of the Settlements, *is now fitted* with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

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An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

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F. E. REILLY,
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PACON'S WAR MAP—Price 60 cents. The best yet published. Every place that has been mentioned in the Newspapers in connection with the War will be found on reference.

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR—On account of the Great Naval Battle of Halyang, compiled from Official and other sources, with numerous collotype Illustrations. Several of the photos were taken on board the *Saikyo Maru* during the engagement.—Price $2.

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PHILLIP'S AUTHENTIC MAP OF CHINA.

STANFORD'S LARGE SCALE MAP OF CHINA.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1894. [6

W. BREWER.

LETTERS on Whist by W. M. Deane, late of Hongkong.
Sir Edwin Arnold's "Wandering Words."
When we were Strolling Players in the East, by Louise Jordan Miln.
Podmore—Apparitions & Thought Transference.
Peck—The Constellations and how to find them.
Brown's Nautical Almanack, 1895.
Blotting Pad Diaries, 1895.
Letts' Diaries, 1895.
Smith's & Chas. Letts' Diaries, 1895.
All the Christmas Musical N[illegible].—Dance, Comic, Minstrel.

PHILLIPS' Map of the China War.
Large Scale Map of North China.
Waeber's Map of North East China.
Royal Warrants, 1894.
Magic Lanterns in great variety; capital amusement for Children.
A Fine Collection of Mechanical and other Toys.
New Stock of Black Gut Tennis Bats.
Fine Leather Goods.
Photographic Materials.
Autographic Christmas Cards for local use.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1894. [675

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R. LYALL,
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Hongkong, 21st September, 1894. [299

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Hongkong, 16th July, 1894 [1135

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Hongkong, 24th June, 1881. [79

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THIS POPULAR HOTEL has recently been thoroughly renovated and, under new and experienced Management, offers Accommodation at most reasonable rates to BOARDERS and VISITORS, unsurpassed in the Colony.

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For terms, &c., apply to

THE MANAGER,
Royal Stag Hotel.

Hongkong, 3rd November, 1894. [1148

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OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, has just been thoroughly re-decorated, renovated and re-furnished, and a NEW WING has been built, which commands magnificent Views of the Harbour and mainland of China.

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Extra Bed-room, per month 20.00

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MANAGER,
New Victoria Hotel.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1894 [933

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THE "RAMSGATE" OF HONGKONG,
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THE POPULAR SUMMER RESORT, and TERMINUS of the only pleasant DRIVE to be had on the Island. "BAY VIEW" occupies the best situation on the Shau-ki-wan Road, commands an excellent view of the Harbour, and is always open to the cool breezes from the Southward. Steam-launches can at any time come alongside the jetty adjoining the spacious lawn.

To the other attractions of this popular resort BATHING PAVILIONS have been added, and a LAUNCH runs from the NEW PEDDER'S WHARF to BAY VIEW every half-hour after 5 P.M. daily.

Private Dinners or Tiffins prepared in First-class style on the shortest notice, and Meals can be served at all hours.

Hongkong, 13th August, 1894. [643

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MIYANOSHITA,
HAKONE.

Four and a half hours from Yokohama.

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NATURAL HOT SPRINGS.

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SPECIAL RATES MADE FOR A PROLONGED STAY.

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Breakfast ... per meal	$0.75 ...	per Month	$12
Tiffin......... "	$0.75 ...	"	$20
Dinner .... "	$1.25 ...	"	$25
Breakfast, Tiffin and Dinner...		"	$45
Breakfast and Tiffin		"	$30
Tiffin and Dinner		"	$40

SPECIAL TIFFINS and DINNERS served in Excellent Style at short notice.

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Hongkong, 14th June, 1894. [530

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Hongkong, 3rd January, 1894. [948

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STEAM TO SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"MARQUIS BACQUEHEM,"

Captain G. Wallusching, will leave for the above places on or about MONDAY, the 17th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SANDER & Co.,
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Hongkong, 12th December, 1894. [1292

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"ARGYLL,"

Captain J. C. Williamson, R.N.R., will be despatched for the above Port on or about THURSDAY, the 20th instant, instead of as previously advertised.

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Hongkong, 13th December, 1894. [926

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

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This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has large Cooling Chambers, thus ensuring a supply of Fresh Meat, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1894. [1294

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FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. I. British Ship

"SIERRA MIRANDA,"

McMaster, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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Hongkong, 4th December, 1894. [1260

Consignees.

"UNION" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"OBERON"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 22nd instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 22nd instant, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1894. [1307

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "BELGIC."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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C. L. GORHAM,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1894. [2

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"HIGHCLERE," at MAGAZINE GAP.
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FLOORS in BLUE BUILDINGS.
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Hongkong, 13th December, 1894 [59

TO LET.

GODOWNS in WANCHAI at the back of McGREGOR'S BARRACKS.

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Hongkong, 10th December, 1894. [41

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 13th October, 1894. [3

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Hongkong, 17th November, 1894. [5

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1894.

TELEGRAMS.

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

LONDON, December 16th.

Advices from Yokohama state that the Japanese utterly routed the enemy on the 14th inst., at Fungwhang.

THE FRENCH IN MADAGASCAR.

The French occupied Tamatave, on the 12th instant. The Hovas fled hastily.

THE SOCIALISTS IN THE REICHSTAG.

The Reichstag has rejected by a majority of 110, the proposal to prosecute the Socialist Deputies.

DE LESSEPS.

There was a great assemblage at the funeral of the late M. de Lesseps; the Suez Canal Co. and the learned Societies were fully represented.

ITALIAN SCANDALS.

Great excitement has been created in Rome on account of several Deputies having been charged with forgery.

King Humbert has prorogued Parliament.

(Special to *Siam Observer.*)

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, November 30th.

Parliament meets on December 20th. A resolution regarding the House of Lords will be proposed before the end of the Session and an appeal to the country will follow soon after.

REFORMS IN ITALY.

ROME, November 30th.

The King has introduced extensive reforms in the organization and mobilization of the army, thus effecting an annual saving of eight million lire (£317,500.)

THE VICEROY OF INDIA HOLDS A DURBAR.

LAHORE, December 1st.

Lord Elgin has held a grand durbar, attended by the ruling chiefs, high officials, and distinguished Anglo-Indians. The Viceroy made a great speech, declaring that this was an era of delimitation, and pointing to the prospects of a friendly delimitation of British territory all over the world.

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

LONDON, December 1st.

The Japanese are still making extensive preparations for a winter campaign.

ITALY AND JAPAN.

December 2nd.

A commercial treaty has been signed between Italy and Japan.

THE CZAR AND THE PRINCE OF WALES.

The Prince of Wales and the Duke of York left St. Petersburg to-day and will stay at Berlin for a few days, *en route* for home. The Czar again showed in a marked manner the cordiality existing between the two families, and the farewells were of the warmest nature.

A NEW TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

PARIS, December 2nd.

The *Figaro*, in discussing the situation as regards England and Russia, considers that the stay of the Prince of Wales at St. Petersburg has helped to restore cordial relations between Great Britain and Russia, and urges the present as a favourable opportunity for forming a new Triple Alliance.

THE HON. G. CURZON.

RANGOON, December 3rd.

Mr. G. Curzon has arrived safely at Kabul.

THE AMIR.

The Amir is slowly recovering his strength.

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

CHEFOO, December 4th.

The foreigners are preparing to defend the city It is reported that the Japanese are organizing expeditionary columns for further attacks on the Pechili coast. Numerous transports have been sighted proceeding westward.

(Special to *Shanghai Mercury.*)

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

YOKOHAMA, December 11th.

General Nodzu, whose headquarters are at Antung, telegraphing on the 10th instant, reports: General Techimi's division on the morning of the 10th instant, while near Kin-kwahu, encountered a large force of Chinese cavalry and infantry. The Japanese attacked them in two bodies, and after some severe fighting forced them to retreat. The Japanese pursued them for some distance, the larger part escaping towards Tsaohukow. The Japanese captured Tsaoyenpo. The loss altogether on the Japanese side is forty killed and wounded. There were over one hundred Chinese left dead on the field; ten Chinese prisoners were captured, and two cannon and a quantity of rifles were taken. The Chinese prisoners state that the Chinese force was between three and four thousand, and that they were fighting under a General. The Japanese troops fought bravely, and they're now marching towards Tsaohuntou.

Marshal Yamagata sailed from the Yalu on the 9th instant and is expected to reach Hiroshima on the 13th.

The Second Japanese Army is still emcamped at Kinchow

General Nogi's Brigade has advanced to Fuchow.

There is no truth in the absurd Chinese rumour that Japan insists on the surrender of the Governor of Formosa.

It has been ascertained from documents found by the Japanese that the Viceroy of Nanking and other officials have offered rewards for Japanese heads.

Telegrams have been received here stating that 25,000 Japanese troops have arrived at Shan-hai-kwan, and that severe fighting is expected.

The Chinese report that Fuchow has been captured by the Japanese.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended Dec. 16th, are:—Europeans, 125; Chinese, 1,523; total 1,648.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Sanitary Board was held at 4.30 p.m. to discuss the provisions of a draft Bill "to make further and better provision in the health of the Colony."

AN Emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, this evening, at 8 for 8.30 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited

THE discovery has been made by a scientific Frenchman that potatoes planted near an electric wire grow to be very large, and that tomatoes in contact with an electric wire ripen eight days earlier than usual.

THE O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Gaelic*, with mails, &c., which left Hongkong on November 21st for San Francisco, *via* Macao, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama, arrived at her destination on the 14th inst.

THE first snow of the season at Peking and Tientsin fell on the 27th of November. It is reported from native sources that at Tientsin three inches of snow fell, and on the 1st instant another inch fell at the same place.

A SAILOR belonging to the German cruiser *Alexandrine*, at Woosung, fell from aloft at noon on the 11th inst. and in his fall struck the rail, from which he rebounded into the water. His body had not been recovered when latest advices left Shanghai.

Wobb:—"I wonder if dyeing one's hair is really as dangerous as the doctors say?"

Nobber—"You bet it is. An old uncle of mine tried it once, and in less than three months he was married to a widow with four small children."

BY an Imperial edict, Li Fu-yu, Chief Examiner of Fengtien, has been degraded and handed over to the Board of War, for having sent a petition to the Throne that did not state his own titles. This, it appears, is a terrible offence against Chinese official etiquette.

MR. SANGSTER will give another Organ Recital on Monday next at 5.45 p.m. Programmes will be issued shortly.

CAPTAIN J. C. GERARD, who at one time commanded the China and Manila Steamship Co.'s steamer *Diamante* before she was sold to the Japanese, and who during the past eighteen months has been chief officer of the *Esmeralda* has assumed command of the *Zafiro*, *vice* Captain A.W.R. Cobban, who is absent on leave.

BRUTALITY and cowardice, observes a shipping contemporary, go hand in hand. Where you see a tyrant to his servants you are sure to find one who is unfaithful and cowardly to his trust. Shipowners would find it to their interests to dispense with the services of masters and mates who make the vessels they are in charge of a floating hell to those who man them.

THE Tungchow correspondent of the *Chefoo Express* writes that the Chinese authorities there have asked for eighteen regiments of troops to defend the place. This request has been made quite against the wish of the foreigners residing at Tungchow, who feel much safer without the troops. An attempt is being made to fortify the North Hill, which commands both the city and the harbour.

IT is reported on very good authority that before very long active steps will be taken for telephonically connecting all lightships round the British Isles with the shore, and that it will be possible by the new arrangement for a boat to make a connection to a wire attached to a buoy, and send news ashore. It is impossible to emphasise the benefits likely to accrue from such a cordon of telephones round the British coast in war time.

SOME trouble was anticipated at Wuhu last week, says the *N. C. Daily News*, owing to a man having been caught attempting to set fire to a house. The British Consul wanted the man punished, but the authorities said there would be a riot if they did so; and as some uneasiness was felt the Consul telegraphed to Chinkiang for a gunboat. As the U.S.S. *Concord* was at that port she borrowed one of the Indo-China Co.'s pilots and at once proceeded to Wuhu. When she arrived there everything was quiet.

IN another column will be found the Equitable Life Assurance Society's advertisement. Mr. Plumacher, the Society's Inspector, arrived here yesterday by the *Yarra* and intends, we believe, making a short stay here in the interests of this well established corporation. Since the "Equitable" started business here five years ago its business greatly increased, and the visit of the Society's Inspector to the Far East will no doubt result in distinct advantage to all who have an interest in this popular insurance office. Mr. Plumacher's address is, for the present, c/o Messrs. Shewan & Co.

THE performance at Harmston's Circus on Saturday night being under the patronage of Colonel Robinson and the Officers of the Shropshire Light Infantry there was naturally a large attendance, the military especially turning out in great force. As usual the programme, interesting from start to finish, was gone through in admirable style, every act eliciting most hearty applause. To-night a most attractive bill of fare has been provided, which ought to fill the spacious pavilion. The company will leave for Manila by the *Yuensang* on Wednesday or Thursday, and their final performance in Hongkong will be for the benefit of that hard-working and sterling artist, Mr. George Harmston.

OUR ancient friend "Colonel" Hicks, for years associated with Harmston's Circus, has started on a new racket and intends positively paralysing the Far Eastern world. The gallant Colonel arrived at Shanghai on the 11th inst., and will be immediately followed to that paradise of the Celestial Empire by a variety company of sixteen *artistes*, most of them of the female persuasion, with which he intends introducing some startling novelties, including the Living Pictures which have created such a great sensation at home of late. Colonel Hicks, we understand, after playing Shanghai for all it is worth will honour Hongkong with a visit, and then try his fortune in Manila, Singapore and Batavia, and then go on to India.

THE *Chefoo Express* of the 10th inst. says:—"Since the steamers have ceased to run from Newchwang our war news mostly arrives viâ Tientsin, but we regret to say that it is less reliable than that from Newchwang was. According to reports from Tientsin, Moukden and Newchwang have been taken by the Japanese and great numbers of Japanese troops have been landed at Shanhaikuan. We are not in a position to contradict the reports regarding Moukden and Newchwang and we think there may be some truth in them. No troops have, however, been landed in Shanhaikuan yet, if we are not altogether wrongly informed. Twenty-two Japanese men-of-war were anchored in Talienwan Bay on the 6th inst., and several more at Port Arthur. It is not likely that the Japanese would attempt to land troops without having the protection of at least a part of their fleet."

AT a regular meeting of Perseverance Lodge, held on Saturday last Bro. S. Hanisch was duly installed as W. M. for the ensuing year by the District Grand Master, R. W. Bro. C. P. Chater, who was attended by the officers of the District Grand Lodge. The W. M. invested the following office bearers:—

S.W.	Bro.	H. W. Robertson.
J.W.	,,	S. St. Aidan Bayles.
Chaplain	,,	A. Tillett.
Treasurer	,,	G. K. Moore.
Secretary	,,	A. Cumming.
S.D.	,,	F. F. Kleine.
J.D.	,,	C. C. Bowring.
I.G.	,,	C. W. Longuet.
Dir. of Cer.	,,	J. D. Lapraik.
Steward	,,	J. H. Lewis.
Tyler	,,	J. R. Grimble.

At the banquet which followed the usual Masonic toasts were honored according to ancient custom.

BEFORE the Full Court (Acting Chief Justice E. J. Ackroyd and Acting Justice A. G. Wise) this afternoon Mr. Ed. Robinson, instructed by Mr. H. L. Dennys, applied for a writ of *habeas corpus* on behalf of Leung Chi-ip, Chan Kai-chun and Wong Chun-li, who were now in Victoria Gaol under an order from Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, police magistrate, for an assault, with intent to do bodily harm, within the jurisdiction of the Empire of China on November 9th. The rendition of the persons named had been applied for by the Chinese Government. Mr. Robinson read an affidavit that had been filed by Mr H. L. Dennys, to the effect that Paul Broessman, the principal witness for the prosecution, stated before the magistrate that he saw no arms on board the prisoners' junk, that the first prisoner sat quite quiet and actually did nothing and that he had no evidence agst at the others. On the strength of this affidavit, the Acting Chief Justice said the Court had come to the conclusion that they were bound to grant the application, and the writ of *habeas corpus* would be returnable on Friday next at 2.15 p.m. Meanwhile Mr. Robinson could have access to the depositions and could take a copy of them if he so desired.

THE dredger *Anding* was floated and towed into the Shanghai river on the 12th inst.

CAPTAIN Miura, Harbour Master of the Kure Naval Station, is reported to have been ordered to act as harbour master at Port Arthur.

WE are informed by the agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carlill & Co.) that the "Shire" Line steamer *Breconshire* left Singapore for this port on the 15th inst., and is due here on or about the 22nd.

THE men of the Rifle Brigade who landed from the *Warren Hastings* yesterday are now under canvas at Kowloon, where they will remain until the "Shropshire Boys" leave for Calcutta on or about the 28th instant.

AT a special meeting of the Sanitary Board, which was hastily convened this morning for 4.30 this afternoon, a draft Bill designed to make further and better provision for the health of the Colony was discussed. A full report of the proceedings will appear in our next issue.

IMPROVEMENTS in electrical boats are constantly being made and electric launches are comparatively common. The use of electricity as a motor for ocean vessels is yet, however, far distant. The advance in methods for storage batteries for large vessels and long voyages has yet to be begun.

IT is recorded that the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China will open a branch in Kobe at an early date, and that Mr. A. S. Harper, formerly Agent of the Bank at Manila, is on his way from England to open and take charge of the new Agency. The Bank has hitherto been represented at Kobe by Messrs. Browne & Co.

WHEN the Douglas Co.'s steamer *Namoa*, Capt. W. C. A. Harris, arrives here from Foochow on the 28th instant she will have completed her five-hundredth trip on the China coast, without meeting with a single serious accident of any kind, barring the terrible piratical outrage perpetrated by the gang of desperadoes who overpowered the crew, and cruelly murdered Captain Pocock, a passenger named Petersen and a Malay quartermaster on the 10th December, 1890; crimes for which the chief of the gang and thirteen of his associates were beheaded at Kowloon city shortly afterwards

SAYS the *Kobe Chronicle* of December 4th:—Our Seoul correspondent writes us a brief note stating that Mr. Domke, the secretary of the German Consulate, died at Seoul at 1.30 a.m. on the 14th ulto. He also announces the death of Dr. J. W. Hall, of the Methodist Mission, who died on the 24th ulto. Our correspondent states that, owing to scarcity of rain, there is much sickness among the natives, as well as among the Japanese troops and foreigners in Seoul He adds that there is extremely little news of importance to chronicle, everything in the neighbourhood of Seoul being very quiet.

MESSRS. Wm. G. Hale & Co. in their *Circular* dated Saigon, 1st December, report that the Tonkin autumn rice crop is now gradually driving on the market, but wholesale dealers do not exhibit much inclination to enter into contracts and it is probable that they will "hold off" until the bulk of the crop has been garnered and is *in transitu* to Saigon. It is believed that prices will rule comparatively high during the approaching season, as the reports of the Chinese autumn crop are unfavourable. The following F. O. B. quotations for old grain are purely nominal:—No. 1 (white milled,) \$3.06; No. 2 (white milled) \$2.55; 10 per cent. cargo milled \$2.12; 20 per cent. cargo milled \$2.05; per cwt., nett F. G. B

IN their *Weekly Circular*, dated Manila 10th December, Messrs. Warner, Blodgett & Co. state that the local value of Australian coal continues nominal, buyers having abnormally large stocks on hand, while sellers are asking \$9.17½ per ton *ex* ship for this fuel. A large business has recently been done in hemp, some 10,000 bales having been disposed of at good prices, chiefly to English buyers, the market for Albays closing firm at \$7 to \$7.12½. At the present time the ships *Bohemia* (10,500 bales) *Freeman* (7,200 bales) *John R. Kelly* (14,000 bales), and *Daniel Barnes* (9500 bales) are loading in the Philippines for American ports, while the *Mary Stuart* is loading about 6,000 bales for the United Kingdom and will have quick dispatch.

SMALL as Ceylon is, compared with Burmah, it is, says the *Indian Daily News*, ruled by a Governor as well as a Lieutenant-Governor, the only explanation of the anomalous arrangement being that Ceylon is a British Crown Colony, while India is a dependency of Great Britain, consisting partly of territory under the direct administration of British officials, and partly of Native States, all subordinate, in varying degrees of relationship, to the Suzerain Power. Burmah is of quite sufficient importance as British territory to be raised to the status of a Lieutenant-Governorship, and it is gratifying to hear on authority that Sir Alexander Mackenzie, the present Chief Commissioner, will be raised to the dignity of the first Lieutenant-Governor of Burmah early in the new year, an honour which no administrator of Burmese affairs has better deserved.

AT the regular meeting of the St. Mary Magdalene Chapter of Sovereign Princes, Rose Croix of H.R.M D, No. 75, held on the evening of the 13th inst, Excellent Brother A. Shelton Hooper was installed as M.W.S., and appointed the following officers:—

H. P.	G. C. Anderson.
1st G.	J. Kirkwood.
2nd G.	P. R. Simmonds.
Treasurer	H. W. Robertson.
Marshal	C. H. Palmer.
Raphael	S. Hanisch.
Recorder	A. Seth.
Organist	J. W. Hall.
Capt. of G.	J. Chaudet.
Outer G.	J. Maxwell.

The ceremony, which was a most impressive one, was conducted by the retiring M. W. S., Bro. R. Cooke, and was witnessed by the following P.M.W.S:—Excellent Bros. E.C. Ray, G.P. Jordan, L. Mallory, W. Danby, and D. Gillies. Afterwards the brethren adjourned to the Hongkong Hotel, where a banquet was served and a most enjoyable evening spent

THE British Empire, remarks a writer in the *Forum*, is a political creation unparalleled in the world's history, not only by its extent and population, in both of which respects it is slightly surpassed by China, but because, with an area of more than 10,000,000 square miles and with 352,000,000 inhabitants it is scattered all over the whole globe. It embraces all the zones from the icy wilderness of Hudson Bay to the tropical jungles of India and the mahogany forests of Honduras; there is scarcely a product which a British province, does not bring forth in excellent quality, and no less various are the degrees of civilization of its inhabitants, from the Kaffirs of the Cape to the highly cultivated citizens of Toronto or Sydney. We find, with Christians of all confessions, 200,000,000 Hindus, about 70,000,000 Mohammedans and 8,000,000 Buddhists, and the Bible is printed in 130 languages and dialects represented in the Empire, yet, notwithstanding such promiscuous elements, the Government, with rare exceptions, maintains order and no sign of dissolution is visible.

THE British war vessels *Peacock* and *Archer* arrived at Shanghai from Hankow and Chemulpo respectively on the 12th inst.

THE Douglas Co's well known [illegible] *Fokien*, Captain Davies, was re[illegible]sent [illegible] Kobe to be handed over to th[illegible] have purchased her.

, PRESSURE on our news c[illegible] to hold over for our Mail Supplement a full descriptive report of the Regatta, including the sailing races Orders for copies should be sent to this office not later than to-morrow night.

THE French cruiser *Isly*, Captain de N. Rivel, arrived here from the Mediterranean, *viâ* Saigon, this afternoon. She was launched three years ago, is very heavily armed, can steam 17 knots and has a displacement of 4,160 tons.

FIVE sailors belonging the German barque *Elisabeth*, were returning to their vessel on the 6th instant in Keelung harbour when their boat capsized and before assistance was available two of them and the sampan man were drowned.

MISS ELSIE ADAIR, the accomplished skirt dancer, who arrived here by last English mail, proposes to give two or three entertainments in this colony, commencing on Boxing Night We believe that Miss Adair will fill in the intervening time at Canton and Macao.

THAT most popular of travelling shows, D'Arc's Marionettes, which has been performing with unprecedented success on the Shameen at Canton for the past fortnight, will arrive here during the current week and will probably open a day or two before Christmas. Full particulars will be published shortly.

OUR Shanghai morning contemporary learns from Tientsin that Kung Taotai, late of Port Arthur, endeavoured to make the best of his position, and declared that he had carefully destroyed all the plant of the dockyard, etc.; but foreign visitors to the fortress since its capture assert that the Japanese found everything intact and uninjured, and at once set about making use of the splendid naval station which they obtained with such comparative ease.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. There were present:—The Governor, Sir William Robinson; Mr. J. H. Stewart Lockhart (Registrar-General and Acting Colonial Secretary); Mr. W. M. Goodman (Attorney General); Comdr. R. M. Rumsey, R.N., (Harbour Master); Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes (Colonial Treasurer); Mr. F. A. Cooper (Director of Public Works); Messrs. C. P. Chater, A. McConachie, E. R. Belilios, C.M.G., J. J. Keswick and Dr. Ho Kai, unofficial members, and Mr. J. G. T. Buckle, Acting Clerk of Councils.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

THE APPROPRIATION BILL, 1895.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding two million four hundred and twenty thousand five hundred and one dollars to the Public Service of the year 1895" was considered in committee and after considerable discussion was read a third time and passed.

THE MILITARY "SQUEEZE."

Dr. Ho Kai, in the absence of the Senior Unofficial Member, moved as an amendment to the Military vote that the Military Contribution amounting to \$396,000 be rejected.

Mr. Belilios seconded.

The Colonial Secretary said that as he understood Mr. Keswick had something to say upon the subject and had not yet arrived it would be well to take a vote later on. This was agreed to, and the Council resumed.

Upon the arrival of Mr. Keswick at 3 o'clock his Excellency invited him to express his views on the subject.

Mr. Keswick then said that last year and for two or three years he had moved the rejection of the vote and it had, in fact, been challenged on every occasion in recent years, but unsuccessfully. He was aware that his Excellency had made representations to the Imperial authorities on the subject of this vote, which was annually growing greater. It seemed exceedingly probable that in a year or two, or a few years hence at all events, as a consequence of the fall in the value of silver, it would become a very heavy burden indeed. He, for one, could not see the smallest reason in support of suppositions of a possible advance in the value of silver. The probability was that silver would become a good deal cheaper. Under these circumstances he begged to move the rejection of the vote.

His Excellency said he was sorry the honourable member anticipated a further decline in the value of silver, for it was already low enough. He had frequently—no less than four times—made representations to the Secretary of State on this subject and that official had replied that he was doing all he could for the Colony. (Applause). It must be remembered that the Secretary of State could not have his own way, for he had to fight the War Department and the Chancellor of the Exchequer over it. He thought the present rather an inopportune time to press for a reduction in the vote in view of the enormous expense now being incurred to protect British interests in the Far East. His Excellency then referred to the expense of the Garrison to the Imperial Government, which amounted to £198,000, and in addition to other anticipated extra expenses to be incurred in the near future he mentioned the erection of a Military Hospital, at a cost of £30,000, on a site above Bowen Road. The last occasion on which he had mentioned this matter to the Secretary of State was when he received the Report of the Retrenchment Committee. To that letter his Excellency had not yet received a reply. He had suggested that the rate at which the dollar stood when the Contribution was raised to £40,000 should rule for furture remittances on this account from Hongkong. (applause).

On a vote being taken on Mr. Keswick's amendment the Clerk of Councils reported that there was a tie—5 unofficials and 5 officials. His Excellency the Governor then settled the question by casting his vote against the amendment and the Contribution was therefore passed by the significant official majority of ONE!

Mr. Chater thereupon said that in any representations to the Imperial authorities on this subject it should be clearly pointed out that although the £40,000 contributed by the Colony looked a very small sum in comparison with the great cost of keeping up the military establishment, yet it was a very large sum for this Colony to pay, being one-fifth of the revenue.

His Excellency—That has been done.

SECOND READINGS.

The following Bills were read a second time:—

"An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1886."

"An Ordinance to amend the Spirit Licences Ordinance, 1886."

"An Ordinance to amend the Cattle Diseases, Slaughter Houses, and Markets Ordinance, 1887."

"An Ordinance to amend the Post Office Ordinance, 1887."

THIRD READINGS.

The amended Post Office and Cattle Diseases Ordinances were read a third time and passed.

THE TELEGRAPH MONOPOLY HUMBUG.

The Council then went into committee on the Chamber of Commerce's Bill entitled "An Ordinance to secure, in certain cases, the rights of property in telegraphic messages, and to prevent the forgery and improper disclosure of telegrams."

The Attorney General said that since the last meeting of Council he had gone more fully into the Bill and found that further amendments might be made. He then moved several amendments which were unimportant, with the exception of the deletion of clause VI, for which he proposed to substitute a new clause. Clause VI in the original reads:—

"Any person convicted under the provisions of this Ordinance may, in default of payment of the penalty imposed upon him, be imprisoned for any period not exceeding 3 months unless such penalty is sooner paid."

He now sought to alter it so as to render imprisonment certain in the event of conviction.

Dr. Ho Kai moved that the clause be modified, enabling a defendant to pay a fine rather than go to prison. He thought imprisonment unsuited to offenders under this Bill.

The Attorney General objected, submitting that the offence would be one of forgery for which imprisonment would be a suitable punishment.

A vote was taken on the proposed amendment, Dr. Ho Kai, Mr. Chater and Mr. Mitchell-Innes (3) voting for and the rest of the members against it. Amendment lost by 7 to 3.

Mr. McConachie then moved that, in view of the alterations not being very material, the Bill be read a third time and passed.

Dr. Ho Kai—The alterations are very material!

Mr. McConachie thereupon collapsed, and his Excellency then adjourned the Council till Thursday next at 3 p.m.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

Thirty-eighth Meeting.

President.—His Excellency Sir William Robinson, K.C.M.G.

Stewards:—Major-General Digby Barker, C.B.; Acting-Chief Justice Ackroyd; Commander Ashe, R.N; Colonel W. L Barr; Hon. E. R. Belilios, C.M.G.; Commodore G. T. H. Boyes, R.N.; Hon. C. P. Chater; Major Faithfull; D. Gillies, Esq.; Hon. W. M. Goodman; Commander Hastings, R.N.; C. J. Holliday, Esq.; J. D. Humphreys, Esq; W. E. Hunt Esq. United States Consul; T. Jackson, Esq.; Colonel Jerrard, D.A.A.G.; Hon. J. J. Keswick; A. J. Leach, Esq., Q.C.; J. H. Lewis, Esq.; C. von Loeper, Esq., German Consul; Colonel Macdonell, R.A.; St. C. Michaelsen, Esq; A. C. Marshall, Esq.; Staff Commander A. W. Millar, R.N.; Hon. N. G. Mitchell-Innes; H. N. Mody, Esq; Colonel Mulloy, R.E.; Surg-Colonel Preston; W. H. Ray, Esq; A. G. Romano, Esq., Consul General for Portugal; Hon. Commander R. M. Rumsey, R.N.; D. R. Sassoon, Esq.; Hon. J. H. Stewart-Lockhart; J. Thurburn, Esq; A. G. Wise, Esq.

Committee:—Messrs. H. E. Wodehouse, C.M.G. (Chairman), E. Bischoff, G. L. Duncan, R. F. Lammert, Capt. D. MacCarthy, R. E., W. H. Potts, C. T. Robinson, M. A. A. Souza, C. H. Thompson, E. D. Sanders, Hon. Secretary, and C. C. Bowring, Hon. Treasurer.

Judges of the Rowing Races:—Mr. R. K. Leigh, and Commander W.C.H Hastings, R.N.

Starter:—Mr. W. H. Potts.

Umpires:—Rowing: Hon. J. H. Stewart-Lockhart and Mr. C. H. Grace. Yachts: Capt. G. C. Anderson. Open Sailing Boats: Capt. E. Burnie.

Judge of the Sailing Races:—Commander Ashe, R. N.

Time-keeper: Mr. Hart Buck.

SECOND DAY,—SATURDAY, 15TH DECEMBER.

March	"Abschieds"	Schirbel.
Overture	"Festival"	Leutner.
Gavotte	"Kaiserin"	Hertel.
Selection	"The Old Guard"	Planquette.
Valse	"L' Etoile Polaire"	Waldteufel.
Fantasia	On Chevalier's Songs	C. Godfrey.
Song	"The Last Watch"	Pinsuti.
Mazurka	"La Mousmé"	Ganne.

INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE CUP.—For fouroars. Cup presented by the late J. S. Lapraik, Esq., to be held by the winning crew for one year; but to remain the property of the Club. Distance, one-mile-and-a-quarter. Entrance, \$10. To be rowed in Boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

IRISH.
Shamrock.
Station No. 1—Green.

A. H. Barlow (bow)	10st.	6lb.	1
T. Brown	12st.	10lb.	
E. D. Sander	12st.	6lb.	
J. B. Grimes (str.)	9st.	12lb.	
C. H. W. Kew (cox.)	9st.	0lb.	

SCOTCH.
Thistle.
Station No. 2—White with Blue V.

T. Meek (bow)	10st.	7lb.	2
G. C. Fullerton	10st.	6lb.	
I. McArthur	12st.	2lb.	
W. Armstrong (str.)	12st.	6lb.	
A. A. Alves (cox.)	9st.	0lb.	

ENGLISH.
Rose.
Station No. 3—White, and Red Sash.

A. Turner (bow)	9st.	5lb.	3
G. H. Potts	12st.	5lb.	
G. C. C. Master	10st.	7lb.	
G. C. Hayward (str.)	11st.	2lb.	
G. A. Caldwell (cox.)	9st.	0lb.	

For half the distance the three boats were almost in a line, and then the Irish and Scotch drew away, a splendid race home ending in favor of the Irish, who had by far the best position, by a trifle over a length; the English were beaten off. Time, 8 min. 58 secs.

SNAKE BOATS.—Open to Chinese Snake Boats. Distance, one mile. 1st prize, \$10; 2nd prize, \$7; 3rd prize, \$5. Eight boats to start for 3 prizes.

Eleven piratical bamboo structures, all gaily decorated with banners specially chartered from a recent Chinese "joss" procession, and manned by something in male humanity that has to be seen to be understood, competed for the \$22 so liberally contributed towards the China War Fund by the V. R. C. As regards the start, these swarthy Celestials showed an example of obedience and intelligence that might with advantage be imitated by the dudes and mashers composing the voluble aristocracy who in these latter days represent Hongkong aquatic sports, and Mr. Potts despatched them on equal terms without the least difficulty. The race defies description, but it was exciting throughout and the square-sterned article that won the similar event on the opening day again proved successful. Time 8 min. 58⅘ secs.

GRIFFINS RACE.—For Tub sculling boats.—Cup presented by the members of the City Club. Distance, half a mile, open to members not rowing in any other race during the Regatta.

FINAL HEAT.

Kew	1
Gifford	2
Wall	0
Ellis	0

Kew led from start to finish and eventually won easily; but the race was scarcely a test of merit, as the tide practically took charge of the whole of the "tubs," leaving quite a

subordinate position to the valiant manipulators of these interesting relics of a bygone age. Time, 6 min. 19½ secs.

GERMAN CUP.—Presented by the members of the Club Germania. For four-oars. Distance, one mile. Entrance, $10. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Kornblume.

Station No. 3—Blue, and Red Sash.

L. A. Rose (bow) .... 9st. 0lb.
J. Merchan .... 9st. 10lb.
J. M. G. Manuk (stroke) .... 10st. 8lb.
M. P. Jurado .... 11st. 10lb.
C. H. W. Kew (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 1

Victoria.

Station No. 1—Royal Blue.

A. Turner (bow) .... 9st. 5lb.
R. Edwards .... 11st. 6lb.
E. Bischoff .... 11st. 12lb.
E. D. Sanders (stroke) .... 12st. 6lb.
F. Kew (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 2

Leek.

Station No. 5—

F. Caballero (bow) .... 9st. 2lb.
W. A. Stopani .... 10st. 8lb.
J. Machado .... 10st. 2lb.
J. B. Grimes (stroke) .... 9st. 12lb.
W. F. Bamsey (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 3

Thistle.

Station No. 2—White with Blue V.

S. I. Danby (bow) .... 10st. 8lb.
G. H. Potts .... 12st. 5lb.
G. C. Fullerton .... 10st. 6lb.
W. Armstrong (stroke) .... 12st. 6lb.
G. A. Caldwell (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 0

Shamrock.

Station No. 4—Red and White.

C. G. Klinck (bow) .... 9st. 9lb.
D. MacCarthy .... 10st. 12lb.
J. McArthur .... 12st. 2lb.
H. Skott (stroke) .... 11st. 8lb.
F. W. White (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 0

Rose.

Station No. 6—Dark Blue and White Hoops.

A. A. Alves (bow) .... 8st. 10lb.
G. L. Duncan .... 10st. 8lb.
T. Meek .... 10st. 9lb.
G. C. Hayward (stroke) .... 11st. 2lb.
H. E. Hayward (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 0

Jurado and Manuk changing places from No. 3 to stroke made this event a certainty for the *Kornblume*, which shot away as soon as the signal was given, and, leading throughout, won without an effort by several lengths. A magnificent race for second place between Sanders and Grimes ended in favor of the former. Time, 7min. 12¾secs.

HARBOUR POLICE.—Open to Chinese members of the Harbour Police. To be rowed in the Service boats. Distance, one mile. Entrance, 50cent. First prize $8; 2nd prize $4. Three boats to start for two prizes.

No. 12 1
No. 11 2
No. 15 0

As regards No. 15 the verdict was, after going fifty yards, a broken oar, a busted boat, out of the race. A splendid exhibition of gymnastics on the part of the coxswains was the leading feature of the tussle between the other pair, but No. 12 was much the better and won easily by three lengths. Time, 9 min. 24½ secs.

MEMBERS CUP.—(Pair Oars.) Distance, one mile. Entrance $5. To be rowed in Boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Maud.

Station No. 2—Red and White Hoops.

J. M. G. Manuk (bow) .... 10st. 2lb.
H. Skott (str.) .... 11st. 8lb.
G. A. Caldwell (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 1

Kathleen.

Station No. 1—Dark Blue and White Hoops.

J. B. Grimes (bow) .... 9st. 12lb.
G. C. Hayward (str.) .... 12st. 2lb.
C. H. W. Kew (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 2

Lily.

Station No. 3—Red and White.

J. McArthur (bow) .... 12st. 2lb.
E. D. Sanders (str.) .... 12st. 6lb.
W. F. Bamsey (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 0

Hayward and Grimes shot to the fore immediately the signal was given and showed the way to Skott and Manuk, the heavy weights dropping clean out of the race before half a mile had been covered. Although Skott struggled gamely, the leaders appeared to hold their own without difficulty until within two hundred yards of the winning mark; then Hayward suddenly fell all to pieces and, failing to respond to Kew's vigorous calls, when Caldwell brought up his crew with a rush on the outside he had not an effort left, and Skott achieved a most creditable success by a few inches. Time, 8 min. 11 secs.

HONG GIGS.—Open to regular Chinese crews of the same Hong or office boats; must carry a European coxswain. Distance, one-mile. Time for oars, 8 seconds per oar. First prize, $10; 2nd prize, $5. Winner of No. 4. on First Day excluded.

Chartered Mercantile Bank, 5-oars ....
(Mr. C. H. Thompson) 1
The Harbour Office ....(Mr. Meugens) 2
The German Tavern, 5-oars......(Mr. Petersen) †
The Dock Company ....(Mr. Rowe) †

The introduction of an extra man in Mr. Thompson's boat made all the difference, and he drew away from the start, leading from start to finish and winning by any number of lengths from the Harbour Office representative, which easily beat the German Tavern and saved her allowance from the Dock Co.'s gig by seven seconds. The two last named dead-heated on time allowance. Time 8min. 52secs.

GRIFFINS' CUP.—Presented by H. E. Wodehouse, Esq., C.M.G. For Four-Oars. Open to Members and subscribers of the Victoria Recreation Club who have never won a race at a Regatta in China. Distance, one mile. Entrance $5. To be rowed in boats the Property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Shamrock.

Station No. 4—Green.

F. Caballero (bow) .... 9st. 2lb.
L. A. Rose .... 9st. 0lb.
G. Mollison .... 11st. 6lb.
D. MacCarthy (stroke) .... 10st. 12lb.
W. F. Bamsey (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 1

Thistle.

Station No.—2 Black and White.

M. Rivera (bow) .... 7st. 10lb.
S. I. Danby .... 10st. 8lb.
J. Merchan .... 9st. 10lb.
J. McArthur (stroke) .... 12st. 2lb.
J. B. Grimes (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 2

Rose.

Station No.—Blue and White Sash.

A. A. Alves (bow) .... 9st. 0lb.
F. M. Rosa Pereira .... 10st. 2lb.
M. A. de Figueiredo .... 9st. 0lb.
C. G. Klinck (stroke) .... 9st. 9lb.
J. Machado (cox) .... 9st. 0lb. } 0

Victoria.

Station No. 3—White Blue Sash.

J. M. E. Carvalho (bow) .... 8st. 3lb.
L. D'Almada e Castro .... 8st. 3lb.
R. Edwards .... 11st. 8lb.
T. Meek (stroke) .... 10st. 7lb.
J. M. G. Manuk (cox) .... 10st. 8lb. } 0

MacCarthy, setting a fast stroke, well pulled through, at once assumed command, and holding the race quite safe all the way, won by several lengths from McArthur's crew in 7min. 20secs.

CRICKET.

A match of cricket between elevens representing the Canadian Pacific Co.'s steamship *Empress of Japan* and H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel* respectively, was played at the Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon, and resulted in an easy victory for the *Empress* representatives by 125 runs, thanks mainly to Dr. Mc. Carthy's splendid innings of 82, not out, and the effective bowling of Candlish and Knott. Scores are appended:—

"EMPRESS OF JAPAN."

Saal, b Sennett	6
H. Knott, b Sennett	15
Dr. McCarthy, not out	82
Greenwood, run out	1
Candlish, b Sennett	1
Lobley, b Chipman	9
Ditcham, b Chipman	15
Martin, b Sennett	1
A. Brown, not out	1
Jugs, Thirbech } did not bat	
Extras	16
Total	150

H.M.S. "VICTOR EMANUEL."

Bannister, b Knott	0
Page, c & b Candlish	1
Faulkner, b Knott	0
Chipman, b Candlish	2
Sennett, b Knott	6
Charleston, b Candlish	4
Tinker, b Candlish	8
Leshman, b Knott	2
Foster, b Knott	0
Harris, b Candlish	0
Tomkinson, not out	0
Extra	2
Total	25

THE PLAGUE AT AMOY.

On Wednesday last the following letter, which speaks for itself, was published in this journals:—

Amoy Consulate, Dec. 10th.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform you that on the night of the 8th I received a telegram from you stating that there was a rumour that plague had broken out at Amoy. I wired you a reply to the effect that I had not heard anything about it. I have since made enquiries of the Medical Officer of the port, who informs me that the rumour is unfounded and that Amoy is free from plague.

Yours, etc.,
C. T GARDNER.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,
Hongkong.

At that time we pointed out that Mr. Gardner's assurance, based on the statement of the Medical Officer of the port, was eminently satisfactory so far as it went, but in face of the numerous independent reports from intelligent Chinese and other sources that should be reliable, which had been current in this colony for some time past, we expressed doubts as to whether it went far enough. While admitting that it would be the height of folly to create a scare on what might be altogether a false alarm, yet we felt bound to remind the authorities that forewarned is fore-armed, and suggested that the Hongkong Government should keep wide awake to contingencies that were only too probable. And during the past forty-eight hours confirmation of the reports of a very serious epidemic prevailing at Amoy have, we regret to state, reached us, and the reports of an outbreak of plague in that neighbouring port can no longer be ignored, neither can Consul Gardner or any one else hoodwink the general public, however gullible they may be, for, according to latest information the China and Manila Co.'s steamer *Esmeralda* left Amoy on Friday last without taking either cargo or passengers, the Spanish Consul at that port having notified Captain Tayler that, owing to the prevalence of a very deadly and infectious disease then carrying off hundreds of natives in the Chinese city, the *Esmeralda* would be subjected to quarantine if she took passengers from Amoy to Manila, the Spanish authorities of the Philippines having, presumably decided to impose quarantine on all vessels hailing from Amoy.

If, then, the Spanish Consul at Amoy has been able to ascertain beyond any shadow of doubt that a deadly epidemic is raging in Amoy, why is that the British Consul and the Heath Officer of the port affect to know nothing about it? Presumably, of course, because it doesn't suit them to know. But "murder will out," and the truth underlying the numerous reports that have reached us during the past month has now been confirmed, and all that remains is for the Government to look the situation straight in the face, stop shuffling, and take the metaphorical stitch in time that saves nine.

THE WAR IN THE NORTH.

The Hunan levies of Wei Kuang-t'ao, ex-Governor of the New Dominion, reached Tientsin overland from Hunan on the 3rd instant, and were sent off by rail to Shan-hai-kuan the next day. The men are said to be of fine physique, but much dissatisfaction is felt at the inadequate manner in which they are armed.

According to one of the native papers here, General Nieh, the new Provincial Commander-in-Chief of Chihli, has telegraphed to the Viceroy Li that he gained repeated victories over the Japanese in Eastern Manchuria, on the 26th ultimo, and on the 5th and 6th of this month. He also reports having retaken from the Japanese a certain place called Lienshan, supposed to be a strategic point threatening Motienling.

Shamuh Yusef, the Mahommedan Prince of Hami, Chinese Turkestan, who is now at Peking, having been invited to be present at the celebration of the Empress-Dowager's birthday festivities in November, according to a letter from Peking volunteered, in a secret memorial to the Throne, to raise a division of 5,000 men from his dependency of Hami, to fight the Japanese. It is not known what answer the Emperor will give, but the example has encouraged other Chinese feudatories in Tibet and Mongolia to tender offers of help in the war.

Although various reports have been circulated with reference to General Wei Jukuei, of the Shêng division, charged with pocketing the pay of his soldiers and running away at the battle of Pingyang, it seems now that Wei Jukuei has not yet turned up at Peking, for according to an Imperial edict of the 8th instant, the Emperor wants to know why it is that Wei has not yet been handed over to the Board of Punishments, and commanding the Viceroy of Fungtien to make enquiries and hasten General Wei's journey to Peking.

Wu Ta-cheng, the ex-Governor of Hunan, is still at Wei-hai-wei, notwithstanding rumours to the contrary. He is reported to be drilling his force of 8,000 men every day in order to accustom them to the modern weapons he has recently bought for them. The first instalment of new rifles and field guns which he had ordered last summer was taken away by the Viceroy Li, to arm some other regiments then proceeding to Korea. The ex-Governor is reported to have refused to set out against the enemy, when asked to do so by the Viceroy Li, until he felt confident in his men being familiar with their weapons and drill, and this, under the circumstances he declares cannot be accomplished before the beginning of February next. Although a *protégé* of Viceroy Li, the division he commands does not belong to the Huai Army, but the Siang, or natives of Hunan.

THE EMBARGO ON BANGKOK STEAMERS.

An attempt was made on November, 27th last by the Royal Naval Department to secure the two steamers *Cape Clear* and *Phratabong* and tow them to the Naval Dock. The first vessel has been in possession for the last few months of Captain Sass, who has seized her for arrears of pay, while the second is detained by the Bangkok Dock Company until such time as a guarantee is given for payment of repairs effected to the vessel. The attempt to secure the vessels on Tuesday last failed. Mr. Trail, jun., of the Naval Department, had been ordered to tow the vessels to the Royal Dock, and for this purpose proceeded with two steam-launches to the *Cape Clear*. He was acting under the orders, it appears, of Prince Ong Kachon, who in turn had received his instructions from the Foreign Minister. Captain Sass, who has detained the *Cape Clear*, was on board at the time Mr. Trail arrived, and suggested that the *Phratabong* should first be taken in tow and that he would be ready soon afterwards.

This wily move of the wary German was soon apparent, for on the Bangkok Dock Company refusing to allow the *Phratabong* to go until the expenses of repairs had been paid or guaranteed, the force of occupation on board the *Cape Clear* declined to evacuate until arrears of pay were forthcoming. And so the steam launches returned to the Royal Dock empty handed.

There appears to be a great deal of shuffling on the part of the owners of the *Cape Clear* and *Phratabong*. They are asserted to belong to Chow Sye, and that he is responsible for the repairs to the Dock Company and the wages of Captain Sass. But, we believe, Chow Sye maintains that such is not the case. The steamers belong to one of the Queens, and Chow Sye has only acted in the capacity of manager. The Siamese Government has also used them for trips down the coast without, so far as can be learned, paying for any charter party. Were the earning of the vessels fairly paid up it is confidently asserted there would be a good balance left over. But who is responsible for paying up the sums does not appear very clear. However, the action of Captain Sass and the Dock Company cannot in any way be criticised. They have every right to guard their own interests, and before letting the boat out of their hands to insist upon some good guarantee for receiving the sums due to them within some reasonable time. If the Siamese Foreign Minister was aware of the facts of the case—and there are few affairs even of less importance that he is not aware of—one can hardly understand his orders to Prince Ong Kachon, or his appearent belief that the vessels would be quietly handed over to him until the bills had been paid in something more substantial than Siamese promises.—*Siam Free Press.*

CHIANGCHIUFU (AMOY.)

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

December 7th,

PUBLIC-OPINION.

In the present tension of public affairs a few words from a southern province (Fukien) may not be amiss. There is everywhere a good deal of unrest and bewilderment among the masses of Chinese as to what is the meaning of all that is happening just now. So far, there has been no sign whatever of any disturbance in any of the country districts and our work goes on unimpeded as before. I have recently returned from a month's tour in one of our regions among the hills, travelling no less than 230 English miles in four weeks and visiting a large number of towns and villages. In no case was I molested nor was there the least unusual excitement. Indeed on the other hand numerous were the enquiries on all sides for reliable news of the war. The rumours that fly about like so many wild birds are various and remarkable, but all alike in one particular, viz, false and foolish, utterly unworthy of credence. It took me all my time to contradict and demolish them and then to replace them by trustworthy information. I was a whole fortnight without news, but when two of your papers, arrived one Saturday afternoon, great was the excitement to hear the truth. Nearly every European nation has been brought in at different times as either fighting for or against each combatant and occasionally even against each other. But it is noteworthy that nearly everybody looks upon England as the friend of China and Russia as the friend of Japan, while France is always spoken of as on the look-out to steal Formosa. So much for the pre-conceived notions which form the legacies of the past.

OUR DEFENDERS!

The Taotai of this city is very much concerned because he has so small a body of soldiers on which to rely in case of any trouble, so many having been drafted away to Formosa and elsewhere. He called one of our prominent Christians (a Doctor with whom he is on friendly and familiar terms) to come and discuss the state of affairs with him a little while since, so as to see if he could give him any advice as to how to protect the city from the thieving which has been on the increase of late. During the interview he told him that he only had 60 available soldiers and half of these were raw recruits and many of them suffering from malaria and other diseases. He also appointed this Doctor as Physican to the Forces (!) in the hope, I presume, of improving their physique, but alas for hope of man, four have already died. So in the event of any trouble I fear this gallant band of soldiers would be but poor protection and a mere broken reed to rely upon. However we do not anticipate any rising down here as the city has enjoyed a wonderfully peaceful reputation since the Taiping rebels devastated it in 1864, just 30 years ago. We may, therefore, hope to be spared the necessity of applying to our Taotai for his most inadequate protection.

PROPOSED DEFENCES.

It has been rumoured, by the by, that the Chinese authorities of Amoy are preparing to blockade the harbour out at the Six Islands, which at present is certainly most unnecessary and would doubtless be injurious to commerce, as the distance is some six or seven miles from the inner harbour where the ships usually lie. Besides, in the north-east monsoon the sea is generally very rough outside the Islands and and steamers would find it not only inconvenient but even dangerous to load and unload so far away from shelter. It is most earnestly to be hoped that such a move may not be made, as it would be both useless and irritating.

A NEW HOSPITAL.

The outstanding event in our mission work this year has been the transfer of our hospital from its most unsuitable quarters in a rented house outside the East Gate, to a large and commodious set of buildings erected during the year on a piece of ground not far away from the city wall on the south-east side of the city. The premises consist of six wards for men and three for women with a total capacity of fifty-two inmates: consulting, dispensing, operation, and other rooms for medical work; a block for students; a large chapel with class rooms for the women and children, and several other smaller rooms for servants, coal, etc. They are situated about ten minutes walk from our dwelling houses and are in every way suitable for the purpose. Our resident medical missionary, Dr Ahmed Fahmy, is to be heartily congratulated on having such admirable premises for his excellent work. He is assisted by six students, a preacher, a colporteur, and a matron. The average attendance on outpatient days (Tuesdays and Fridays) is not far off one hundred, and there are always some twenty to thirty inpatients, often twice as many.—*N. C. Daily News.*

TIENTSIN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

TIENTSIN, December 1st.

We have had several falls of snow already, but the weather is now milder, although dull, with westerly wind blowing.

There has been nothing worth communicating from here. Trade is brisk in tanned and untanned sheep and goat skins, strawbraid and wools. Camels' wool is in demand, and the price has risen from Tls. 16 to Tls. 17 per picul. The best sheep's wool is about Tl. 1 cheaper per picul. There is a good stock of goats' hair, and it is now quoted at Tls. 11 per picul. Import business is also brisk. Large quantities of cotton have arrived from your port, the rate for which is quoted at Tls. 14 per picul. Rice has fallen about 10 cents per picul. Piece goods of all kinds are reported firm.

Taotai Kung, from Port Arthur, has arrived here, having managed to escape out of the Japanese clutches, but I am afraid he will be wose off when he reaches Peking.

The Chinese here, who believe it, are very much cut up about the fall of Port Arthur. Many of them will not believe the Japanese are in possession of the place.

The Rev. Hudson Taylor, head of the China Inland Mission, is here. He has just returned from Shansi, which province he left in August last. He leaves by first steamer for Shanghai.

I hear that since the fall of Port Arthur the Chinese are very bitter against Li Hung-chang and his foreign friends, on whose shoulders the whole blame of defeat is thrown.

I also learn that the English and Russian Ministers have decided to spend the winter in Tientsin, and the latter's family leave in a day or so for the capital.

News reached here lately from Korea that the Koreans are very bitter against the Japanese, and that there is likely to be a disturbance. This no doubt has been brought about through the agency of the Chinese.

The Viceroy returned at 10 a.m. by train and was received by the officials at the railway station. The usual salutes from the gun-vessels, &c., were fired.

Viceroy Li has returned from his inspection of the Taku Forts and Shan-hai-kwan. He gave all the officials and officers a good "rub up," and growled at every one he came in contact with. Even the captain of his launch could not please him. He was so angry with him that he gave him fifty stripes with the bamboo and deprived him of his button, and threatened to put him in the river.

December 3rd.

Telegrams have been received here to-day stating that the Japanese have captured Newchwang. This, I believe, is true, because the Chinese have the same news. There is also a report, which I do not believe, that the Japanese have landed about fifteen or twenty miles north of Shan-hai-kwan.

We have a good many foreigners ready and willing to spill their blood for China, or to scoop up Chinese silver, although it is cheap. Among them are men belonging to the I. M. Customs staff. All have to report themselves to "General" von Hannecken. Taotai Hoo has been appointed General-in-chief. These two gentlemen are to raise, and drill in foreign style, 30,000 Chinese soldiers. When they have finished with these the Chinese believe they will be able to drive the Japanese all back into the sea, but I am afraid that before "General" von Hannecken has these troops ready the Japanese will have got all out of China that they want. But the "General" knows more of these matters than I do, and I believe he has guaranteed to save China. More power to him!

December 4th.

The news that the Japanese are in possession of Newchwang, I hear, is confirmed, and that everything is quiet there, and foreigners are perfectly safe.

Admiral Hoffman of the German Navy and Baron Speck von Sternburg, Secretary of the German Legation, left here yesterday for Peking. The German war-vessel *Arcona* remains outside Taku till the Admiral returns.

There is no further news of the Japanese landing to the north of Shan-hai-kwan. Some people who pretend to know, think that the Japanese will land forty miles west of Taku, where the French intended to land in 1885.

The river is full of drift ice, but there is no danger of the river freezing over till full moon.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Tientsin, December 7th.

I learn that two days ago Moukden was taken by the Japanese, though the officials here are trying to keep it quiet. This downfall of the home of the Manchus will have a deep moral effect, whenever it is known.

I have also learned some facts concerning the purpose of Commissioner Detring going to Japan. As the facts put the matter in a better light I state them, for it is always important to be fair to every one. It appears that when Mr. Detring was in Peking, along with Mr. von Hannecken, the Foreign Office broached the matter of Mr. Detring's going to Japan to ascertain Japan's terms, in order to negotiate more intelligibly. Finally an order and appointment came down from the Emperor himself, and Mr. Detring started for Japan. In the meantime the representatives of the Western Powers were urging the Foreign Office to utilise the mediation of the United States Minister at Peking and Tokio. So, before Mr. Detring reached Japan, a telegram was sent recalling him, in order to give full play to the mediation of a friendly Power. Such a view casts no discredit on Mr. Detring. To whoever can hasten peace, let us say "God bless you."

The Japanese are pretending they intend taking Shan-hai-kwan next, but I doubt it. I fancy their next move will be to capture Wei-hai-wei and the fleet, unless they can spare enough of their fleet to keep strict watch over Wei-hai-wei. In that case Shan-hai-kwan may be their next point of attack. It may be that the Japanese will land to the south of Taku Forts, and take the Taku Forts as well by land. I think they will meet with very little resistance at Shan-hai-kwan.—*Mercury.*

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MAILS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd Co.'s steamer *Gera*, with the outward German mail, left Singapore on the 16th inst., and may be expected here on the 21st.

THE AMERICAN MAILS.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Peru*, with the American mail, left Yokohama on the 14th instant, and may be expected here on the 20th.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Oceanic*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, *via* Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 4th instant.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, *via* Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 13th instant.

NORTHERN PACIFIC MAILS.

The Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Silk* left Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 23rd ultimo.

The Northern Pacific steamship Co.'s steamer *Victoria* left Tacoma on the 12th instant for Japan and Hongkong.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Arratoon Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the afternoon of the 12th instant, and may be expected here to-morrow.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Telamon* left Singapore on the 12th instant, and may be expected here on the 19th.

The D. D. R. steamer *Aglaia* left Singapore on the 12th instant, and may be expected here on the 19th.

The 'Shire' line steamer *Breconshire* left Singapore on the 15th instant, and may be expected here on the 22nd.

The N. G. I. steamer *Bormida* left Bombay on the 8th instant, and may be expected here on the 28th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Java* left Bombay on the 13th instant, and may be expected here on the 31st.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ceylon* left London for this port on the 26th ultimo.

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

BANKS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—110 per cent, prem., sales and buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ld.—on £8.0.0. paid up,—$21, sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ld.—Founders shares, nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ld.—nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ld.—Founders' shares—£5, buyers.

CHINESE LOANS.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.

MARINE INSURANCES.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—$127 per share sellers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—$60 per share, sellers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 195 per share, buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—$143 per share, sellers.
Yangtsze Insurance Association—$77, buyers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 15 per share.
The Straits Insurance Co., Ld.—$17 per share, sales and sellers.

FIRE INSURANCES.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—$175 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—$72 per share, sales and buyers.
The Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ld., $7 per share, buyers.

SHIPPING.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co. —$24½ per share, buyers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—$66, sellers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited —$39, sellers.
Douglas Steamship Company—$50 sellers.
China Mutual Shippers Co., Ld.—(Preference)—£6 per share, nominal.
China Mutual Shippers Co., Ld.—(Ordinary)—£1 per share, nominal.

REFINERIES.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$140 per share, sellers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$48, sellers.

MINING.

Punjom Mining Co.—(Ordinary)—$6 per share, sales and buyers.
Punjom Mining Co.—(Preference)—$1.50 per share, sellers.
The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—$5 per share, sellers.
The New Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—$1.80 per share, sales and buyers.
Société Française des Charbonnages in Tonkin —$75 per share, buyers.
The Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Limited —$4.50, buyers.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—79 per cent. premium, buyers.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—$17 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—$36 per share, sellers.
Wanchai Warehouse Co., Ld.—$40 per share, sellers.

HOTELS.

Hongkong Hotel Company—$9 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per-cent. Debentures $501.
The Shameen Hotel Co., Limited—nominal.

LANDS AND BUILDING.

The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—$10 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—$52½, sales and buyers.
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—$18 per share sellers.
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ld.—$11 per share, sellers.

DISPENSARIES.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—$0.75, buyers.
Dakin, Cruickshank & Co., Limited—$1 per share, buyers.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—$4 per share, sellers.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—$3 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—$118 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Gas Company—$125 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Ice Company—$79 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited —$40 per share sellers.
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—$3 per share, sellers.
The Green Island Cement Co.—$4.75, sellers.
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—$4, sales and buyers.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—$70, buyers.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ld.—$2 per share.

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Credits at 4 months' sight	2/1
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Bank Bills, on demand	2.56
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2.62
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T. T.	189½
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ON SHANGHAI—	
Bank, T. T.	74¼
Private, 30 days' sight	75
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	$9.55
Silver (per oz.)	27 13/16

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

KARA, British steamer, 1,507, Thos. Walker, 15th Dec.,—Saigon 10th Dec., Rice.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.

WARREN HASTINGS, British troopship, 3,001, H. A. Street, 15th December,—Calcutta 30th November.

PAOTING, British steamer, 1,088, T. Gyles, 15th Dec.,—Chinkiang 11th Dec., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

NANYANG, German steamer, 1,059, Th. Lehmann, 16th Dec.,—Chinkiang 12th Dec., and Woosung 13th, Rice.—Siemssen & Co.

DORIS, German steamer, 771, Petersen, 15th December,—Haiphong 13th Dec., General. —Wieler & Co.

NAMOA, British steamer, 862, H. C. A. Harris, 15th December,—Foochow 15th Dec., Amoy 14th, and Swatow 15th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

KONG BENG, British steamer, 862, Brooke Pigot, 16th Dec.,—Bangkok 7th Dec., Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

ISLY, French cruiser, 1,024, Captain de N. Rivel, 17th Dec.,—Saigon 14th December.

YARRA, French steamer, 2,084, de Maubeuge, 15th Dec.,—Marseilles 18th Nov., Alexandria 17th, Port Said 18th, Suez 19th, Aden 24th, Colombo 1st Dec., Singapore 7th, and Saigon 12th. Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.

PHRA NANG, British steamer, 1,021, W. H. Walton, 16th December,—Bangkok 7th Dec., Rice.—Butterfield & Swire.

ANCONA, British steamer, 1,888, W. D. Mudie, 17th December,—Yokohama 9th Dec., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

PICCIOLA, German steamer, 873, E. Haas, 17th December,—Hoihow 15th Dec., General.—Melchers & Co.

KWONG-MO, British steamer, 177, W. Mahon, 17th Dec.,—Amoy 15th Dec., General.—Chinese.

BENLEDI, British steamer, 1,481, Farquhar, 17th Dec.,—Karatsu 12th Dec., Coals.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

PROGRESS, German steamer, 783, J. Jessen, 15th Dec.,—Touron 14th December, Salt.—Siemssen & Co.

HANGCHOW, British steamer, 999, P. Bennett, 17th Dec.,—Canton 17th Dec., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

YUENSANG, British steamer, 1,106, W. Waddilove, 17th December,—Manila 14th Dec., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FOOKSANG, British steamer, 991, Spencer Wilde, 17th Dec.,—Shanghai 13th December, and Swatow 16th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KITTY, British barque, 803, Wilson, 17th Dec., —Newchwang 6th Nov., and Chefoo 28th, General.—Order.

BENLARIG, British steamer, 1,454, Ed. Le Boutillier, 17th Dec.,—London 28th October, General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

CROMARTY, British steamer, 1,864, W. S. Duncan, 17th Dec.,—Amoy 16th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Peiyang, German steamer, for Shanghai.
Namoa, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
Loosok, British steamer, for Bangkok.
Hangchow, British steamer, for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

December 16, *Canton*, British str., for Canton.
December 16, *Chusan*, German str., for Canton.
December 16, *Yarra*, French str., for Shanghai.
December 16, *Paoting*, British str., for Canton.
December 16, *Atlantic*, German bark, for Mantong.
December 16, *Triumph*, German steamer, for Hoihow, &c.
December 16, *Donar*, German str. for Saigon.
December 16, *Formosa*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
December 16, *Sungkiang*, British steamer, for Manila.
December 16, *Soochow*, British steamer, for Shanghai.
December 16, *Memnon*, British steamer, for Sandakan.
December 17, *Bullmouth*, British steamer, for Shanghai.
December 17, *Peiyang*, German steamer, for Shanghai.
December 17, *Ask*, Danish str., for Hoihow.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Namoa*, from Foochow, &c.—Rev. and Mrs. Sandeman, Messrs. Moss, Cook, Pape, Frewin, and 102 Chinese.

Per *Kara*, from Saigon.—110 Chinese.

Per *Nanyang*, from Chinkiang, &c.—7 Chinese.

Per *Paoting*, from Chinkiang.—8 Chinese.

Per *Kong Beng*, from Bangkok.—1 European and 51 Chinese.

Per *Yuensang*, from Manila.—Mr. and Mrs. Coombs, Messrs. R. P. Duncan, J. Walter, Lo Chang Su, and 155 Chinese.

Per *Fooksang*, from Shanghai, &c.—Mr. Sone, and 31 Chinese.

Per *Picciola*, from Hoihow.—20 Chinese.

Per *Phra Nang*, from Bangkok.—40 Chinese.

Per *Yarra*, from Marseilles for Hongkong.—Mr. and Mrs. Lisarraga, 3 children and servants, Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Charpentier, Messrs. Remigio Carceller, F. Valera, Iturriagueta, Brewin, Border, C. Platt, F. Guillaume, Athoy, Panamelle, Koyamah, Mayonull, and 16 Chinese. From Saigon.—Mr. and Mrs. Duval, Messrs. de Grandmaison, Chaine, Plumcher, and 286 Chinese. From Marseilles for Shanghai.—Messrs. Buissonnet, Yen, Yane, Hemer, Whong, and Chang. From Singapore.—Messrs. Huang Kung Su, Huang Cheng and servant. From Singapore for Kobe.—Messrs. Tukui, Habara, and Luin Chor. For Nagasaki.—Messrs. Achua and Depleire. From Marseilles for Yokohama.—Messrs. Marcelmourier, René Dubuffet, Kumaji, Fukuoka, Thom, Ward, Chardon, and 85 sailors.

Per *Ancona*, from Yokohama.—Miss Skinner, Captain King, Messrs. G. C. Morant, S. A. Bland, P. H. Hooper, E. H. Hooper, F. A. Hageland, J. D. Monro, Lee Yee, Odzu Dawull, Chon Chew, 3 Chinese, 2 Indians and 1 Japanese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Yuensang* reports that she left Manila on the 14th instant, and had strong monsoon and heavy sea.

The British steamship *Cromarty* reports that she left Amoy on the 16th instant, and had fresh north-west winds and fine weather throughout.

The British steamship *Phra Nang* reports that she left Bangkok on the 7th instant, and had moderate north east winds and head swell.

The German steamship *Nanyang* reports that she left Chinkiang on the 12th instant, and Woosung on the 13th. During the whole passage had strong north-east monsoon with high sea.

The British steamship *Paoting* reports that she left Chinkiang on the 11th instant. From Chinkiang to Tung-ying had light south-west winds and fine weather; thence to port had moderate north-north-east winds and fine weather.

The British steamship *Kara* reports that she left Saigon on the 10th instant, and experienced strong north-east winds from Cape St. James to Cape Padaran; thence had fine weather until passing the Paracels; thence to port had strong north-east monsoon.

The British steamship *Fooksang* reports that she left Shanghai on the 13th instant, and Swatow on the 16th. From Shanghai to Swatow had strong northerly and north-east winds with considerable following sea and cloudy weather; thence to port had strong north winds with fine weather and moderate sea.

The British steamship *Namoa* reports that she left Foochow on the 13th instant, and experienced light north-north-west breezes and calm to Amoy. Left Amoy on the 14th, and had strong north-east winds and high following sea. Left Swatow on the 15th, and experienced moderate north-east breeze and sea to port. In Amoy on the steamships *Mandarin*, *Continental*, *Cromarty*, *Kwong mo*, *Esmeralda*, and *Haitan*, In Swatow the steamship *Singan*.

The British steamship *Paoting* reports that she left Bangkok on the 7th instant; passed Cape Padaran on the 12th instant. From Ang-hin to Pulo Obi had light and moderate winds and fine weather. From Pulo Obi to Padaran had strong north-east winds and heavy head sea. From Cape Padaran to North Reef had light and moderate monsoon and fine weather. From North Reef to lat. 19 deg. north, had strong monsoon and heavy north-east sea, with cloudy and overcast weather for the most part of passage.

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For Yokohama and Kobe.—Per *Chingtu* tomorrow, the 18th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Macao, Amoy, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and San Francisco.—Per *Belgic* on Tuesday, the 18th instant, at 5 P.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

BELGIC, British steamer, 4,211, Wm. H. Walker, 11th Dec.,—San Francisco 15th Nov., Yokohama 5th Dec., and Nagasaki 8th, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

BENLAWERS, British steamer, 1,484, A. Webster, 13th Dec.,—Moji 8th December, Coal.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

OBERON, British steamer, 1,763, A. S. Grate, 15th Dec.,—Singapore 5th Dec., General.—Shewan & Co.

CASS, Chinese steamer, 705, M. Gensan, 14th December, Pescadores 13th December.—Order.

CHINGTU, British steamer, 1,459, R. Innes, 27th Nov.,—Sydney, and Thursday Island 8th Nov., Coals and General.—Butterfield & Swire.

ELDORADO, British steamer, 892, F. A. Purkis, 12th Dec.,—Tientsin 5th October, and Chefoo 7th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British steamer, 5,904, G. A. Lee, Lieut R.N.R., 3rd Dec.,—Vancouver 12th Nov., Yokohama 26th, Nagasaki 30th, and Shanghai 1st Dec., Mails and General. —C. P. Railway and Steamship Co.

GLENSHIEL, British steamer, 2,240, R. D. Jones, 14th Dec.,—Singapore 7th Dec., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LOO SOK, British steamer, 1,020, J. B. Jackson, 9th December,—Bangkok 29th Nov., and 1st Dec., General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

MARQUIS BACQUEHEM, Austrian steamer, 2,740, G. Wallusching, 15th Dec.,—Singapore 8th Dec., General.—A. L. S. N. Co.

NURNBERG, German steamer, 3,207, H. Walter, 9th December,—Yokohama 30th Nov., Kobe 3rd December, and Nagasaki 5th, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.

PEKIN, British steamer, 118, Mahon, 13th Dec.,—Amoy 11th December, General. —Chinese.

PRESTO, German steamer, 655, C. Sthar, 15th December,—Tientsin 8th December, Bone. —Butterfield & Swire.

SOPHIE, German steamer, 2,034, H. Andersen, 13th Dec.,—Moji 8th Dec., Coal.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

WINGSANG, British steamer, 1,517, A. de St. Croix, 11th Dec.,—Calcutta 24th Nov., Penang 1st December, and Singapore 4th, Opium and General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, A. W. R. Cobban, 21st Nov.,—Manila 20th Nov., General.—Shewan & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ATLANTIA, German bark, 633, W. Schneider, 25th Nov.,—Newcastle, N.S.W., 18th Sept., Coals.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

BAYARD, British bark, 1,319, W. Richards, 7th Dec.,—Kobe 29th Nov., Ballast.—Wieler & Co.

BYLGIA, German barque, 335, Mangelsdorff, 23rd November,—Amoy 9th November, Ballast. —Wieler & Co.

CALEB CURTIS, American schooner, 35, Brake, 4th June,—Yap (Caroline Islands) 29th May, General.—Order.

OMEGA, British bark, 480, Brown, 29th Nov.,—Callao 30th September, General.—Master.

STANFIELD, British bark, 630, Clark, 12th Dec., —Whampoa 11th December, General.—Wieler & Co.

SIERRA MIRANDA, British ship, 1,739, A. McMaster, 29th Nov.,—Cardiff 9th August, Coal.—Government.

TAM O'SHANTER, American ship, 1,522, Thos. Peabody, 1st Dec.,—Kutchinotsu 23rd Nov., Coals.—Order.

WANDERING JEW, American ship, 1,610, D. C. Nichols, 29th Nov.,—New York 2nd July, Kerosene Oil.—Order.

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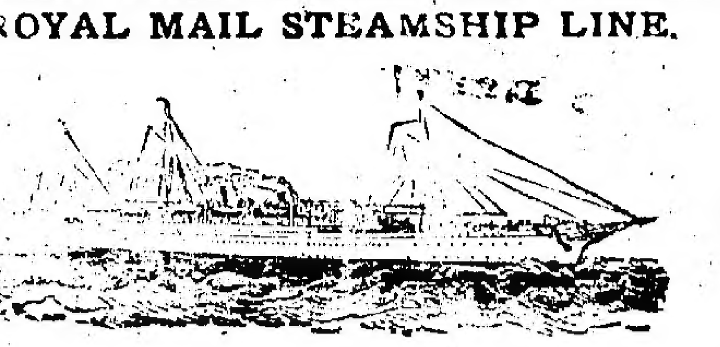
1894.  1894.

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Hongkong, 13th December, 1894. [1

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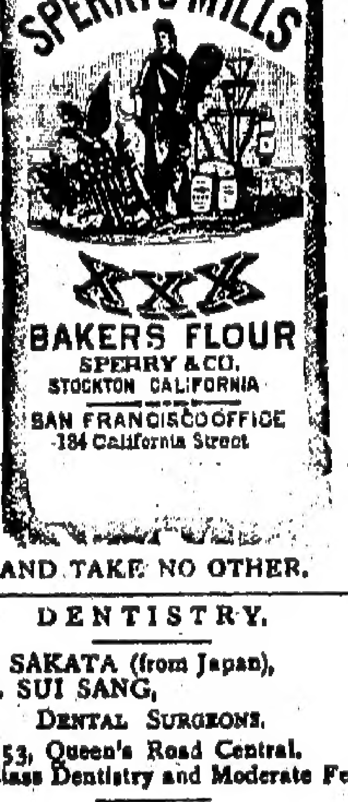

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